

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCES METHODS EXEMPTION 3B2B
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2003 2006

29 December 1964

SUBJECT: Juri RAUS

1. Juri RAUS was born on 4 January 1927 in Tartu, Estonia. RAUS' father was a very prominent member of the Estonian armed forces, serving as a captain.

2. RAUS attended a high school in Tallinn, then in 1943 joined the Estonian air force; he was wounded, to our knowledge, while serving in the ground forces of the air force in a battle with the Soviets at Koenigsberg, East Prussia. He came to Germany in 1944 where he continued to live, in the Geislingen/Steige area, with his parents (or mother) until 1949. He arrived in the USA in 1949. He was drafted into the US Army in 1950.

3. In 1952 he began his studies at Connecticut University from which he graduated in June 1956 with a BS in civil engineering. He likewise was commissioned in the US Army after completing his ROTC studies. He presently holds the rank of Captain in the United States Army Reserve, serving in Military Intelligence, where he is a very active participant.

4. Until late 1962 RAUS was employed in Connecticut by a firm which manufactured traffic control equipment. Since 7 January 1963 he has been employed as a highway research engineer, grade GS-11, with the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Washington D.C.

5. RAUS is married and has two small children. He presently owns a mortgaged home at 6508 Osborne Road, Landover Knolls, Hyattsville, Maryland. RAUS' mother, whom he supports, lives in the metropolitan D.C. area; his father is dead.

6. To the best of our knowledge, RAUS has never been arrested or tried on any criminal charges. Information is lacking as to what traffic violations, if any, RAUS might be guilty of. The same would apply to Mrs. RAUS.

7. Both RAUS and his wife have in the past contributed to the efforts and activities of this organization and both have performed well.

8. As to weaknesses or derogatory items in RAUS' background, one might mention RAUS' affinity for alcohol. He imbibes freely and frequently and, in the true Estonian tradition, is a "straight drinker". However, he has never been seen intoxicated by us and, despite the fact that he usually consumes considerable beer, is able to hold his liquor very well. Nonetheless, his proclivity for the bottle has been exploited by various individuals hostile to him to label him as a drunkard. Over a period of several years observation, it would be the writer's belief that this is an unfair and unjust accusation although unquestionably much hay can be made of this by RAUS' enemies.

9. To the best of our knowledge, RAUS is not related by blood or marriage to any of the principals of the present conflict.

BEST AVAILABLE COPY